

Greetings,

This information is provided toward your preparation for NASA Marshall Space Flight Center's 13th Anniversary Great Moonbuggy Race. We have 59 teams registered for the event. The first section requires feedback information from your team(s), and the rest is for your information. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Thanks! And good luck with your preparations for the race.

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MOONBUGGY FOOD AND TICKETS

In order to plan for your arrival, please let us (Frank.Brannon@msfc.nasa.gov) know the following information:

1. The date and approximate time of arrival to Huntsville.
2. The date and approximate time of departure from Huntsville.
3. Please note the total number of visitors who will be coming to Huntsville (not including your *six* registered team members and one advisor). Entrance to the U.S. Space & Rocket Center requires a \$5.00 admission fee (which includes **ALL** race day activities Thursday-Sunday) for these visitors accompanying teams. The tickets will be available for purchase during team registration hours.
4. **For college teams not bringing an advisor, the advisor should inform us of the lead contact for the team. We prefer this individual be 21 years old or older.**

MOONBUGGY SCHEDULE

While a more detailed schedule will follow, expect:

- Friday (April 7) race for high school entries.
- Saturday (April 8) race for college division entries

Also, for 2006, expect a NEW safety meeting to be held the evening before your race day.

MOONBUGGY RULES

Please review all rules and course procedure for the race available on the moonbuggy website.

MOONBUGGY LODGING

Three Huntsville hotels have agreed to provide lodging at a reduced rate for the 2005 Great Moonbuggy Race teams. **Please contact Durlean Bradford**

(Durlean.Bradford@msfc.nasa.gov or 256.961-7878) if you have difficulty in receiving the rates we have quoted here.

1. Federal Square Suites; Studios 1-4 persons, 44.00 per night plus tax Continental Breakfast (800) 458-1639 ask for “moonbuggy” rate, <http://www.federalsquare.com>. Cancellations within 48 hours
Approximately 6 miles from US Space & Rocket Center
2. Guesthouse Suite Hotel, one Studio Suite 68.00 per night plus tax; Penthouse Suite (one queen bed, double Murphy bed, sofa sleeper, two full baths) 98.00 per night plus tax (800) 214-8378, ask for “moonbuggy” rate.
<http://www.executivelodge.com>
Approximately 2.5 miles from U.S. Space & Rocket Center
3. Huntsville Marriott, king or double, 78.00 per night plus tax; (888) 299-5174. Ask for “moonbuggy” rate; **reserve by March 14, 2006.**
<http://www.marriott.com/HSVAL/>
Adjacent to US Space & Rocket Center

SPECIAL NEEDS

If someone on your team has a special dietary, medical or mobility need, please let us (Frank.Brannon@msfc.nasa.gov) know. Vegetarian burgers and fish are available upon request, so please let us (Frank.Brannon@msfc.nasa.gov or Durlean.Bradford@msfc.nasa.gov) know the person(s) and how many will be needed on or before March 24, 2006.

AWARDS

Information for all awards is posted at <http://moonbuggy.msfc.nasa.gov/compete.html>
Additional information, with a deadline, is required for each award, so please take time to read this information now so that you can enter. The Design Competition, The Most Unique Award, Most Improved Award and System Safety Award are all optional.

MOONBUGGY PHYSICAL PREPARATION

Physical Preparation- In preparing for the race we would like to suggest some activities that would be beneficial to the team/drivers prior to race day.

- 1) Develop a positive winning attitude. Prepare your mind to think win, win, win.
- 2) Exercise by strengthening the legs and lower body for pedaling the buggy.
- 3) Get plenty of rest the night before and eat a balance breakfast. Avoid excessive amounts of sugar or high carbohydrates
- 4) Drivers should practice driving the buggy prior to race day.

MOONBUGGY MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES

We will share your contact information with your local media. We imagine that you would like coverage in your local area to show your hard work and efforts, but please let

us know if there is any reason that you would not want to be contacted.

MOONBUGGY CANCELLATIONS

If at some point you will not be able to be with us for the race, **PLEASE** let us know. It will help with scheduling.

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